APPLICANT ARGUMENT/REMARKS

Applicant appreciatively acknowledges that the Examiner has found after searching the prior art that the subject matter of claim 4 is patentable.

Applicant responds to the Action, indexing to the parts as numbered by the Examiner.

Parts 1-2 of the Action: As requested by the Examiner, applicant has amended the abstract to substitute the word *includes* for the word *comprises*. Applicant submits that the two words are equivalent.

Part 3 of the Action: As requested by the Examiner, applicant has amended claims 8, 12, 13 and 15, in each of the aforementioned claims, replacing the phrase "a deer call" with the phrase "the deer call."

Parts 4-11 of the Action: Claim 2 is amended to remove the term to which the Examiner objected, namely "accordion-like". Claims 3 and 4 have been canceled. Claim 1 is amended to include the limitations of the canceled claims 3 & 4. Applicant submits that claims 5-7, dependent directly or indirectly upon claim 1 as amended herein, recite subject matter patentable over the references cited by the Examiner in the Action. Similarly, Claims 8-16 recite methods for using patentable apparatus recited in the foregoing claims and are accordingly allowable.

Part 12: of the Action: The instant application names joint inventors: Steven Morocco and Angelo J. Cassette. At the time the invention was made, each inventor owned his respective inventive contribution. Subsequently, Angelo J. Cassette assigned ownership of his inventive contribution to the subject matter of claims 1-16 to Steven Morocco, by an assignment document executed on August 13, 2004, and recorded in the United States Patent Office on August, 16, 2004, reel/frame 015062/0511.

Part 13 of the Action: By this amendment, applicant responds to the Examiner's objection to claim 4 as being dependent upon rejected base claim 1. Claim 4 has been canceled and Claim 1 amended to include the limitations of the canceled claims 3 and 4.

Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review

Applicant submits herewith three sheets of replacement drawings, correcting any defects in the character of lines, numbers, and letters of the originally filed sheets 1-3.

Applicant believes this amendment fully addresses the Examiner's rejections and objections in the Action mailed October 31, 2005, thereby placing the application in condition for allowance. Any questions or comments should be directed to the undersigned attorney of record.

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